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SUBJ: CONTINGENCY PLANNING WITH DUTCH MILITARY IN SURINAM

REF : A. THE HAGUE 5597; B. THE HAGUE 5533

1. WITH INDEPENDENCE 18 DAYS AWAY, TROUBLED QUESTION OF E&E PLANNING WITH DUTCH BECOMING LARGELY ACADEMIC, BUT REFS A (LAST PARA), B (PARA 3), AND PERSONAL ASSURANCES OF DUTCH COMMANDER MAKE CLEAR THAT, AS PRACTICAL MATTER, WE ARE COVERED.

2. KOOIJMANS AND SCHELTEMA (REF A) MADE MUCH OF POINT DURING RECENT VISIT THAT GON COULD NOT BE IN POSITION OF CONSIDERING CONTINGENCY OF EVACUATING AMERICAN NATIONALS IN CONTEXT ASSISTANCE TO DUTCH NATIONALS SINCE ALL SURINAMERS ARE DUTCH UNTIL INDEPENDENCE. I EXPRESSED SURPRISE THAT A ROUTINE, INFORMAL INQUIRY REGARDING AN UNLIKELY CONTINGENCY COULD HAVE DRAWN SO MUCH UNFAVORABLE ATTENTION - THOUGH I COULD UNDERSTAND FEAR THAT IF MATTER LEAKED HERE, PLANS COULD BE MISCONSTRUED AS DISCRIMINATORY.

3. IN RESPECT TO "REPRIMAND" GIVEN DUTCH COMMANDER FOR HIS INFORMAL COOPERATION WITH US, DOUBT IT MORE THAN SLAP ON WRIST, SINCE HIS ATTITUDE UNCHANGED.
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